

Description

As part of their wallboard manufacturing process, GP Gypsum, in Tacoma, Washington, uses quite a bit of paper, which comes on large rolls. When a roll is used up, the spindle needs to be removed from the feeder machine and a new roll placed on it. Because the rolls of paper are heavy, they require a solid spindle, which weighs around 250 pounds. Even with two workers to lift the spindle, this was an obvious concern for back and shoulder injuries. To reduce this risk, the plant purchased height-adjustable, mobile lift devices that allow one worker to handle the spindles, without lifting.



Lift device used to remove an empty spindle and place it inside a new paper roll.

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